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City of Falls Church Sheriff's Office to Implement Operation Safe Halloween

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – As part of Operation Safe Halloween, City of Falls Church Sheriff's Office deputies on patrol duty Sunday, Oct. 31, 2004 will distribute about 500 treat bags to trick-or-treaters throughout the City between the hours of 5 p.m. and midnight. The program promotes safety and awareness of Sheriff deputy presence to deter unsafe behavior in residential areas of the City.

Operation Safe Halloween has become a popular trademark of the City of Falls Church Sheriff's Office since they implemented the program in 1990. Sheriff's Office deputies, their families and friends assemble the treat bags at their annual potluck dinner just before Halloween. The bags contain candy, pencils, small toys, and crime prevention tips. No City funds are used to finance the program.

For more information, please contact the Sheriff's Office at 703-248-5111.

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